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SUBJECT: US-SAUDI COOPERATION IN SUPPORT OF NORTH YEMEN

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1. PRIOR TO YOUR DEPARTURE FROM WASHINGTON WE WERE ALREADY
EXPLORING POSSIBILITY OF HAVING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS ON HOW
TO INVIGORATE U.S.-SAUDI COOPERATION PROGRAM OF MILITARY
ASSISTANCE TO NORTH YEMEN FOR YOU TO PRESENT TO THE SAG
DURING YOUR VISIT TO SAUDI ARABIA. DOD HAS BEEN URGENTLY
REVIEWING PROGRAM IN TERMS OF THE FEASIBILITY OF ACCELE-
RATED DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT PREVIOUSLY APPROVED. AMBAS-
SADOR WEST AND PRINCE SULTAN, DURING A JULY 10 MEETING

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ON THIS SUBJECT (REFTEL B) AGREED TO A WORKING LEVEL
MEETING BETWEEN REPRESENTATIVES OF SAUDI MILITARY AND U.S.
TRAINING MISSION ON JULY 29 WITH THE US AND SAUDI DEFENSE
ATTACHES FROM SANA ATTENDING. HOPEFULLY THIS MEETING WILL
ADDRESS CONCLUSIVELY THE COMPLEX TRAINING AND OTHER
QUESTIONS WHICH WILL IN PART DETERMINE WHAT TYPES OF
SPECIFIC ACCELERATION OF PROGRAM MIGHT BE REALISTIC.

THEREFORE, BELIEVE IT BEST THAT WE DEFER ANY DECISIONS ON
SPECIFICS UNTIL WE HAVE RECEIVED THE RECOMMENDATION
RESULTING FROM THAT MEETING.

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